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DEPARTMENT OF NATIONAL DEFENCE
Headquarters, M. D. 13,
Calgary, Alberta

INFORMATION FOR RECRUITS CALLED TO REPORT AT MILITIA TRAINING CENTRES

1 The men reporting for training at Militia Training Centres, will be issued with complete Battle Dress the same as issued to units of the C. A. S. F. In addition, they will be issued with:

Great Coats	Underwear
Socks	Boots
Gloves	Shirts
Overshoes	

2 When the man has completed his period of training, he will be allowed to retain his underwear, socks and boots, but will be required to produce his if he should be called back for a further period of training at a later date.

3 Small articles of kit, will not be issued by the Training Centres. It will therefore be necessary for the recruit to bring with him such articles such as:

Braces	Tooth brush
Boot brush	Shaving kit
Hair Brush	Comb
Towels	Soap

and any other articles of this nature that he may require.

4 Blankets will be the only bedding issued at the training centres.

5 Sports will also be engaged in extensively during the training period, and it is suggested that running shoes, and depending on the season, any sport equipment that the men may have brought, such as skates.

6 Men who can play musical instruments should bring them along, so that they may take part in concerts.

Mr and Mrs. Goddard of Oyen, daughter and son in law of Mr. and Mrs. D. Anderson were town visitors Friday.

Miss Otto and Mr. and Mrs. McIlreath of Oyen visited here last Friday.

Mr. P. DeMaare and son Ted are Calgary visitors this week.

Don't forget the Red Cross Concert and Dance October 25th. Keep this date open.

CAR COMES BACK
At the Pool elevator at Seven Persons C.P.R. car No. 244019 was loaded with grain on July 15th and headed for Fort William. The same car was back at the same elevator and again loaded on August 28th. The percentage against such a coincidence occurring is quite high.

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Mr. O. D. Harrington has just finished combining 550 acres which averaged 25 bushels to the acre. Early Summerfallow yielded 32 bushels per acre and weighed 64 lbs to the bushel.

Mr. Harrington also has 200 acres of headed stacks yet to be threshed.

MUST NOTIFY REGISTRAR OF CHANGES

A change of address or in matrimonial status in the case of persons liable to be called for military training under the National War Service Regulations must be reported to the divisional registrar in the district where that person resides. Failure to do so will incur penalties of fine or imprisonment.

Honored Couple Leaving Chinook

By the departure of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Todd to Calgary, where they will in future reside, Chinook has lost respected and valued citizens.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd came to Chinook district, from Aldersyde in 1911.

For several years they lived on their farm north of Sounding Creek. In 1924 they moved to Chinook, where they became active and unspare in their efforts to further the social activities of the town.

Mrs. Todd was a member of the Ladies Card Club and the friendly Circle.

Mr. Todd for some years acted as President of the Agricultural Society, Mrs. Todd later holding the position of Secretary.

For a number of years Mr. Todd was grain buyer for the Pioneer Elevator, here and during the last three years acted as Secretary of the town.

He was a familiar figure on the streets and the business people will miss his daily call. On Monday evening Mr. and Mrs. Todd's many friends gathered in the School Hall to spend a social evening with them. During the forepart of the evening games arranged by Messrs. Fargett and Charyk were played.

After lunch Mr. Targett rendered two well chosen solos and the Misses Zawasky delighted the audience with two vocal duets and Mrs. Targett officiated at the piano.

Mr. and Mrs. Todd were then called to the front and presented with a beautiful tri-lite electric lamp.

In a few well chosen words Mr. Todd thanked the friends for their kindness, after which Mr. and Mrs. Todd were encircled by their friends, while all sang "Auld Lang Syne."

Chinook friends wish Mr. Todd health and happiness in their new home in the city.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

IN THE MATTER of the Estate of Frank Dumanowski, late of Chinook, Alberta, deceased, NOTICE is hereby given that all persons having claims on the estate of Frank Dumanowski, who died on the 21st July 1940, are required to file with the undersigned by the 15th November 1940, a full statement, duly verified, of their claims and of any securities held by them, and that after that date the Administrator will distribute the estate of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which notice has been so filed or brought to his knowledge.

DATED this 26th day of September 1940

Sidney P. Vallance,
328A - 8th Avenue West,
Calgary, Alberta,
Solicitor for the Administrator.

LOCAL NEWS

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Quick of Weyburn, Saskatchewan announce the marriage of their eldest daughter, Elsie Mya to Percy William Wells young son of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Wells of Youngtown, Alberta. The wedding took place Sept. 28 in All-Saints Church, Weyburn, Sask.

Mr. Clarence A. Withell has been appointed secretary treasurer for the village of Chinook to succeed W. A. Todd.

Mrs. Sam Vachell received word last Sunday morning that her father, Mr. Kinch, had passed away in Edmonton. Mr. Kinch will be remembered as one of the old timers in the Chinook district, having homesteaded the North half 23 28 74. The sympathy of the community is extended to Mrs. Vachell in her loss.

Mr. J. E. Conley was a Calgary business visitor this week returning Wednesday.

Mrs. J. Fruett is visiting at Calgary and Pincher Creek.

Chinook Crop Averages 25

With favorable weather now prevailing, threshing and combining are proceeding apace. Some fields are turning out excellently, around 30 bushels per acre, and some better than that 25 bushels to the acre is a fair average yield.

George Christofferson has just finished combining a field that yielded 35 bushels to the acre, and the combines have moved into a piece that he believes will go still higher.

This is estimated to be the best crop in the district since the bumper yield of 1915. Of course in that year, the seeded acreage was very much smaller than this year's.

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P & G Soap	10 bars	49c
Lux Toilet Soap	3 "	25c
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Empress Jam	4 lb tin	65c
Squirrell Peanut Butter	2 lb tin	30c
Macaroui	5 lb package	37c
Salted Soda Biscuits	2 packages	25c
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A Healthful Sign

One of the most heartening and inspirational stories appearing recently in the daily press is that of the organization and operation of the Piercecland Fruit and Vegetable Growers' Co-operative Association, the first of its kind in Saskatchewan, perhaps the first on the prairies.

The story is heartening because it demonstrates that it is possible for whole communities to organize a practical effort to place themselves on a self-sustaining, or more nearly self-sustaining basis, and is inspirational because it may pave the way for other communities to improve their lot, either in the same manner as the people of the Piercecland district, or in some other direction.

While the scene of this experiment, for it is yet hardly beyond the experimental stage being in its first year, is laid in northwestern Saskatchewan near the Alberta boundary, it could have been staged in many parts of Alberta or Manitoba, indeed, anywhere that vegetables and fruit will grow.

Finding the raising of wheat a somewhat uncertain form of production, the people of the Piercecland district organized to set up a co-operative canning plant in May of this year. Capitalizing on the fact that the district could grow vegetables and small fruits to perfection and that wild fruits also grew in profusion, a canning factory was set up to can the produce of the gardens and the bush.

Wise in their generation, the people of the Piercecland district sought all the information they could before launching their experiment. They secured the assistance of the provincial department of agriculture as to the best methods of organizing, and called on their nearest Dominion experimental farm staff for demonstrations of the canning process. The necessary equipment was purchased and in the fall quantities of produce were processed, canned and marketed.

Helping Themselves

Of particular interest is the modus operandi, as outlined by B. N. Arnason, of the Co-operation and Markets Branch of the Saskatchewan Department of Agriculture: "The association furnishes the cans, the salt, sugar, syrup and other supplies. The growers take their fruit and vegetables to the canning plant, can their produce under supervision and take one half of the canned produce home with them. The association retains the other half for resale to meet operating expenses and to pay for the equipment. Any surplus will be distributed on a patronage basis. There will be some variation from the above procedure depending on the quantity which the grower takes to the plant, but in general the 50-50 basis is used.

"The object is to observe all standard requirements as to quality canning methods so that no difficulty will be experienced with regard to sale. To date most of the products have been disposed of in nearby towns. The products canned have been chiefly corn, peas, beans, cauliflower, carrots and several varieties of wild fruits."

A Beneficial Project

A self-help project of this nature will serve to confer many benefits upon those who participate in it, perhaps to an even greater extent than those who sponsored it may be aware at the present time. These advantages are both material and moral.

One of the material benefits of such an undertaking, and the one immediately obvious, of course, is the financial return which the sale of the processed product brings to the co-operators. Not only do they reap a direct cash return, but there is also an indirect cash benefit, inasmuch as the canned commodities retained by the participants save a cash outlay for vegetables and fruits during the late winter and spring months, by which time unprocessed home-stored produce would have perished.

Another material advantage is the fact that factory canning with proper equipment enables large quantities of produce to be preserved under ideal conditions, resulting in less loss than if it were done at home with more or less primitive equipment. Moreover, it can be taken for granted that more produce will be conserved in this manner than would be the case if each individual were to undertake the processing at home. Thus, with the abundance of fruit and vegetables usually to be found in most farm gardens, under this method, there should be an ample supply for every participant's household until next year's crops are available, and a substantial surplus for sale.

Then, too, the health value of a project of this kind, should not be overlooked. Canned vitamins in ample quantity for the household during those seasons of the year when they are not available, except at prohibitive cost, should yield dividends in better health.

Not by any means the least important is the moral value of a self-help undertaking of this or any other kind. After a decade of the pernicious effect of the direct relief system with its tendency to sap the moral fibre, it is refreshing to find that whole communities are still imbued with that spirit of self-reliance which urges them to fend for themselves and to knock the government props from under their feet at the earliest possible opportunity.

It was this spirit which enabled the pioneers of this country to play their part in building a great nation and it is this spirit which will enable us to win the war. And after the war is over, it is this spirit which will enable the people of the prairies to adjust themselves to the great changes which must inevitably come.

One of the English radio jests is that if you see an airplane flying backwards it's an airplane pursuit plane. More truth than that; Ben's air force, like his fleet, has been backward in coming forward.

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Wheat Exports Increase
In spite of the loss of markets in Scandinavia and the Low Countries, Canada's exports of wheat and wheat flour during the past crop year totalled 207.9 million bushels, which was the best volume exported since the 1935-36 crop year when 254 million bushels were exported. The Dominion entered the 1940-41 crop year with a carry-over of almost 301 million bushels.

Full daylight is about 600,000 times brighter than full moonlight.

The dollar mark originally was a religious symbol. 2379

Canada Has Good Bands

Orchestras Too Can Furnish Music Equal To The Best

Such is the predilection of Canadians for bands and dance orchestras from the United States, according to the Toronto Daily Star, that "thousands will go to hear, and dance to, one of these who would not be interested in a Canadian band or orchestra." This can hardly be regarded as fair to the achievements of our native musicians nor accurate in its estimate of Canadian approval of Canadian bands and orchestras. If distance lends enchantment to imported bands and orchestras, there is plenty of distance in Canada. From Halifax to Victoria the country can supply musical organizations with just as many miles to their credit as any from across the border. And from what we hear over the radio, Canadian communities are not lacking in their musical development.

Some criticism has been made of sending Canadian money out of the country to bring in United States bandmen and orchestras at a time when the Exchange Control Board is stressing the importance of limiting expenditures in the United States to essentials to facilitate Canada's purchase there of the necessary war materials. If the same condition exists another year it might be worth considering whether representative Canadian bands and orchestras cannot fill all Canadian requirements.—Toronto Telegram.

Building Was Shaken

But German Bombs Did Not Destroy Tussaud's Famous Museum

On a stairway to the marble lobby of a London building stood a blue-uniformed guard. Hundreds passed him daily. Some paused to ask questions. The guard's lips were always sealed—with wax. He was an effigy. The stairway led into Mme. Tussaud's museum, where hundreds of illustrious figures, living and dead, reposed. When a German bomb wrecked a cinema at the opposite end of the museum building, the effigies trembled but survived. The Chamber of Horrors downstairs was unharmed.

Mme. Marie Tussaud, the museum's founder, lived through the horrors of another cataclysm—the French Revolution. As a girl in Paris she was taught modeling by an uncle. Befriended by a sister of King Louis XVI, she lived in Versailles Palace, showed court ladies how to work in wax. When Revolution burst the mob brought her the heads of the King and Queen Marie Antoinette, fresh from the guillotine, to model. In 1802 she took her effigies to London, grew rich and lived to be 90. Her own wax figure stood in the museum with those of Hitler, Mussolini, President Roosevelt, King George.—New York Times.

Should Command Big Sum

Gift From Queen Elizabeth Will Be Auctioned At New York Ball

Under the patronage of the Marquis of Lothian, British Ambassador to the United States, a Bunderies for Britain ball will be held at the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, on Wednesday evening, Nov. 6. The proceeds will be donated to the organization which, for the last eight months has been sending medical and surgical instruments to England, woolen clothing to enlisted men serving in the North Sea, and used clothing to British war refugees. Mrs. Wales Latham, president of Bunderies for Britain and general chairman of the ball, has announced that the highlight of the event will be the auctioning of a gift donated by Queen Elizabeth of England. This is believed to be the first time that a reigning English Queen has sent a gift to America to be used for such a purpose.

Canadian Quilts

Cases Of Clothing Arriving In Britain From Canada

Cases of smart new clothes and of home-made quilts are arriving in Britain from Canada.

The clothes, most of them made by Canadian women, some of them bought, are being distributed to British refugees and any others who need them. Some went given to Czech relief fund, some to Norwegians, some went to children evacuated from the Channel Islands, who had no time to bring their own clothes.

The quilts are arriving because many Canadians in Britain wrote home describing the record-breaking cold spell of last winter. Women of the Dominion want to be sure their kinfolk in the fighting forces are going to be warm enough next winter.

They're mostly squares of colored cloth, stitched on to a quilt of thick flannelette.

Style In Names

Comparison Over Last Six Years Shows A Decided Change

According to the Stratford Beacon-Herald modern parents are turning away from Biblical names for their children. In Brooklyn, anyway. Such is the discovery of the chief librarian of the Brooklyn Public Library, following a survey of the juvenile registration files and a comparison of the names recently put down by those registered in the Brooklyn Directory six years ago.

According to Librarian Ferguson, former favorite names such as Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, Samuel, Nathan, Benjamin, Solomon and David have lost out to Bernard, Herbert, Howard, Leonard, Harold, Martin and Stanley. For girls, Sarah, Ida, Martha, Rebecca, Esther, Gertrude, Bertha and Judith, once popular, have been replaced by Shirley, Marie, Gloria, Joan, Grace, Sylvia, Doris and Evelyn. The rise of the name Shirley from comparative obscurity to sixth place this year was accounted for by the popularity of Shirley Temple in the movie world.

John was the ago John was No. 1 name for boys, but now it is in second place, with Joseph as "tops." William, the good old stand-by, has dropped from third to seventh slot among the first ten favorites. On the other hand, Charles has climbed from sixth to fourth notch, and George from tenth to fifth. James alone has proved static, being still in eighth place.

The survey showed that some names appeal to certain religious groups, while others appear to be equally popular with all denominations. Among the latter names were Alice, Anna, Arthur, Charles, Daniel, Dorothy, Florence, Harold, Mary, Robert and William.

Usually Miss Their Target

Canadian Sailors Say Nazi Bombers Have Very Poor Aim

Nazi bombers have poor aim in the opinion of the Canadians serving on H.M.C.S. Skeena, one of the destroyers, naval service headquarters disclosed.

Recently the Skeena was escorting a convoy of merchant ships which was attacked by German bombers about midnight. Although it was estimated more than 100 bombs were dropped not one hit was scored on the ships in the convoy.

One sailor on the deck of the Skeena had a box of matches and set a match aside every time a bomb exploded. When the action was over he had a pile of 75 matches and officers estimated at least 20 to 25 per cent. of the bombs dropped did not explode.

No Argument

Three little boys were boasting of the abilities of their respective fathers.

Said one: "My father's a musician, and when he composes a song, he gets \$5 for it."

"That's nothing," said the second. "My father's an author, and when he writes an article, he gets \$10 for it."

"Well," said the third boy, "my father's a minister, and when he preaches a sermon it takes six men to carry the money up to him."

Beaver Preserve

Tract Set Aside At The Mouth Of The Mackenzie River

Scarcity of beaver in the Mackenzie River Delta area has prompted the Federal Department of Mines and Resources to establish a huge beaver reserve at the mouth of the Mackenzie River. This restoration project is being undertaken for the benefit of the native population of the Arctic coast region who depend largely upon the fur resources for a livelihood.

The new sanctuary embraces approximately 14,000 square miles, and the regulations governing it provide that the hunting, trapping, taking, killing, shooting at, wounding, injuring or molesting of beaver is prohibited at all times.

When the beaver population of the area has increased sufficiently to warrant trapping, authority may be granted to issue special permits to trap beaver within the preserve.

SELECTED RECIPES

HONEY DATE BARS

2 eggs
1/2 cup honey
1/2 Kellogg's All-Bran
1/2 teaspoon baking powder
1/2 teaspoon salt
3/4 cup chopped dates
1/2 cup chopped nuts
Beat eggs well; add honey and All-Bran. Sift flour with baking powder and salt; add dates and nuts. Mix. Add to first mixture, beating well. Spread batter 1/2-inch thick in greased shallow pan, and bake in moderate oven (375 degrees F.) about 30 minutes. Cut into bars while warm and dust with powdered sugar if desired, or serve as a pudding with whipped cream.

CHOCOLATE ICE BOX CAKE

1 1/2 cups whipping cream
2 teaspoons powdered sugar
1/2 teaspoon vanilla
1/4 teaspoon almond extract
24 Christie's Chocolate Wafers
Whip cream and add sugar and flavouring. Arrange wafers one on top of another with a spread of whipped cream between. Press gently together and lay roll on its side on a platter. Coat with whipped cream. Chill two or three hours. Slice diagonally when serving. Six to eight portions.

Worthy Of Honor

Only Missionary Buried In Westminster Abbey Is David Livingstone

That David Livingstone is the only missionary buried in Westminster Abbey is an interesting fact, states the Canadian Churchman, Scotsman and Englishman felt the only place for so great a Christian hero was the Abbey.

March 18, 1898, was the 125th anniversary of Livingstone's birthday. A large number of people came to pay tribute by putting on his grave, on behalf of the London Missionary Society, a chaplet of laurels. A letter was read from Livingstone's daughter, Mrs. Livingstone Wilson.

German authorities in Brussels have now forbidden Belgians to listen to foreign broadcasts, the British Broadcasting Corporation reported.

Seals are good divers, and can stay under water 12 to 15 minutes.



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Protein Content Of Wheat

Average For Western Canada Slightly Lower This Year

Average protein content of western Canada wheat will be slightly reduced this year, the board of grain commissioners' laboratory predicted following a survey of 3,154 samples of 1940 wheat.

Although the average content for samples already tested is 14.3 per cent., compared with an average of 14 per cent. for the crops of the last 10 years, laboratory officials said that as more samples are received from northern areas, where the content is normally lower, the average would be reduced. Most samples already tested came from southern and central districts where threshing is well advanced.

Number of samples tested and average protein levels for each province were: Manitoba, 615, 14.4 per cent.; Saskatchewan, 1,785, 14.4 per cent.; Alberta, 754, 13.8 per cent. The values were within 1 per cent. of those for 1939.

Largest area of high protein wheat occurred in central Saskatchewan and west-central Manitoba. Wheat from southwest Saskatchewan, normally high in protein content, was lower than average.

Always Helps Himself

Hitler Does Not Depend Entirely On Help Of Stars

The Royal Gazette, Hamilton, Bermuda, says:

This is one mistake we must positively not make—that is, of over-estimating Herr Hitler's dependency upon stars and underestimating his preparations to co-operate with them. The superstitious-fallen little beast firmly believes that the stars, his stars, are going to help him, but he is not going to let that stand in the way of his helping himself, and he has proved himself to be an indefatigable self-helper. Laugh as much as you like: it will do you good; do not be convulsed to the point of dropping your guard. That would be to help Hitler and his stars, and you may be sure that he and his fellow star addicts are quite aware of it. A fanatic is always a despot, and the combination is no laughing matter.

In the parlance of the Old West, the Italian navy is quick on the withdrawal.



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Behind The Headlines At Ottawa

(By DEAN WILSON)

Ironically and grimly, now whenever any history-making action develops on Parliament Hill that requires intelligent and expert publicity guidance, it is announced by some of the authorities in the capital either in such technical and detailed verbiage or in such guarded and broad language so that the man-in-the-street in Canada is too often and quite unnecessarily befuddled and mystified by the result that this kind of elucidation does not aid national thinking on these highly important matters, particularly in war-time. It is obvious that the latest announcements of Canada's historic role in first, the vital Canadian-American Defence Agreement, have not served to explain the general political trends. Nevertheless, based on investigations behind the scenes, questions on the needs, events, and circumstances of these dramatic developments of this war can be answered by this veteran observer in order that the man-in-the-street may find the key to the enigmas.

In the first place, in regard to the Canadian-American Defence Act which was made at Ogdensburg, there are five questions which are being asked by the man-in-the-street throughout Canada and each one can be answered not by a mere opinion or report of a circumstantial nature but by a direct reply which has been furnished by Prime Minister Mackenzie King himself in the course of one of the most intimate and interesting interviews ever held by the head of the Government of Canada and which took place recently when a group of members of the Press Gallery met the Premier in his office in the lofty East Block that contains nothing more modern than Victorian furniture.

First, will Parliament be called to consider Canada's defensive pact with the United States? The Prime Minister replied: "I do not know that there is any necessity for Parliament to be called for this purpose." Second, did Canada make any commitments by this agreement? The answer to this popular question can be found in the statement by the Prime Minister wherein he stated: "This is a board (Canada-United States Permanent Defence Board) for study, but they are making no commitments. No one is making any commitments." Third, there have been widespread reports throughout Canada that the official opposition is against the agreement because it has not been consulted properly. Is this true? The answer to his question can be found in the remark of the Prime Minister: "I thought that the matter was important enough to approach Mr. Hanson, Hon. R. B. Hanson, Leader of the Official Opposition in the House of Commons) but at the same time he came to me. Two minds tending in the same direction. I got the impression that he regarded this a step in the right direction. I think that he approved of it." Fourth, is this historic agreement merely a policy of one Canadian political party? The man-in-the-street will find the answer in the Prime Minister's words: "I think that the whole idea of mutual defence is one that will be welcome in Canada, irrespective of parties; I think that this is above parties and politics and I believe that it has been regarded in this way. Fifth, is Canada a party to any defence agreements on British colonies in the Western Hemisphere? In face of the press reports, the Prime Minister's statement contradicts such notions because he said: "We never try to exercise any jurisdiction over crown colonies."

In the second place, in regard to Anglo-American defence arrangements whereby Britain gave to the United States eight naval and air bases on British colonies, stretching from Newfoundland in the north to British Zululana in the south on 99-year leases, in return for 50 reconconditioned destroyers, the whole story has not been told. It is known along Parliament Hill that though Britain needs destroyers and ships of all kinds, yet the

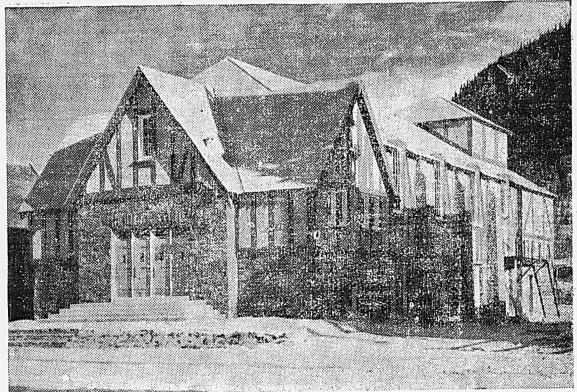
loss of tonnage in this war has not been great in comparison with the last World War. In the first year of this war, under 1,900,000 gross tons had been lost until recent days by that time over 2,000,000 gross tons of losses on British shipping, but during shipping have been added to this fleet by construction, purchase and capture, though over 33,000 ships were escorted across many seas. The real reason for this action by the Government of the United States can be found in this popular sentiment in that nation in favour of doing everything just short of actual war to help Britain and this will be followed in the coming months by a flood of airplanes, munitions, food and other essential supplies in unprecedented numbers. The Americans have realized now that Britain is their best trading customer; the Americans have realized now that the defeat of the British fleet would mean that the totalitarian enemies of the American democracy, namely, Italy, Germany and Japan, would have two ships to every one of the United States and the ship-building facilities would be outnumbered by 8 to 1; the Americans have realized now that their nearest neighbour, Canada, where they have invested over \$2,000,000,000 is intimately tied up with Britain in this war, and if anything unfortunate happens to Britain, Canada will be affected immediately, meaning the exposure to danger of Canada since it is a country that is the third largest in the world, rich in gold, nickel, wheat, etc., though small in population, with the additional worry of being over 3,000 miles of unfortified frontier and vulnerable to attack from Greenland, which is vulnerable to attack from Iceland that is only 600 miles from Europe; the American have realized now that undefended Mexico, rich in oil and mines, though unstable in government and defence, or Central America, totally undefended, or South America, only 1600 miles from the African coast, are all hot beds of Nazi, Fascist and Communist activities, presaging future invasions if Britain should not win the war; the Americans have now realized that Britain must win the fight not only for reasons for tradition, sentiment, language, customs, and other common heritages but because only by such a victory can the American democratic way of life go undisturbed. This is revealed readily along Parliament Hill.

RED CROSS IN ENGLAND

Canadian Red Cross officials in England are working night and day in their emergency efforts on behalf of people rendered homeless by German air raids. Cable received at Red Cross Headquarters in Toronto stated that thousands of blankets, articles of clothing and tins of food were being distributed daily. The cable signed by the Overseas Commission Colonel George Nasmith of Toronto whose office is right in the heart of London, ended, "All well and cheery." In making the cable public Mrs. H. P. Plummer, Chairman of War Activities, said: "The people of Canada who contributed over one hundred thousand blankets during a recent appeal made by the Canadian Red Cross must derive great satisfaction from the knowledge that their blankets are being used to bring warmth to thousands of homeless men, women and children in Britain. Preparing ourselves for such an emergency the Canadian Red Cross has already shipped forty five thousand blankets to England. Other shipments will go forward immediately."

Similarly thousands of dollars worth of clothing and canned food has been shipped from Canada to England during past months and had been stored in Canadian Red Cross warehouses in England for emergency," Mrs. Plummer said. "With the support of the people of Canada the Canadian Red Cross is doing everything possible to alleviate the suffering of the people of Britain," she continued.

New Home for Banff School of Fine Arts



The Banff School of Fine Arts has a new home which is as modern as the splendid work done by the school. The new auditorium, which was officially opened in January in the presence of educational and other Alberta leaders, will be the scene of the eighth annual session of the school, from August 1st to 31st. This \$50,000 building is made of native Rundle stone and is of the chalet design which harmonizes so well with the surroundings. The theatre has a seating capacity of 700 and a modern stage fitted with the finest lighting equipment and there are dressing rooms, music room, work rooms and other meeting rooms for small groups. The building is truly a co-operative effort. The Parks Department donated two lots worth \$10,000 to the Banff School Board and supplied plans and specifications free of charge; the Sir Edward Beatty donation of \$2,500 to the Department of Extension of the University of Alberta made possible the furnishing and equipment of the stage and theatre.

STATION NAMES

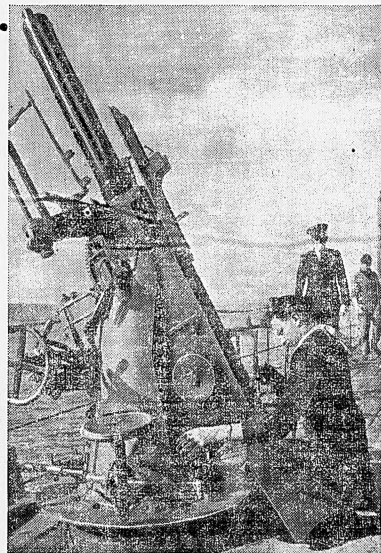
Ingenuity accounts for the names of many stations along the lines of the Canadian National Railways. Take the first two letters in each of these words: Canadian Northern Railway and you get Canora, which is in Saskatchewan, a article in the Canadian National Magazine points out. Canmor, B.C. is similar.

Bresayler, B.M.K. owes its unique name to three settlers who went to it

in the Eighties from the Portage

Plains—Bremmer, Sayers and Taylor. Once upon a time there were two post offices close together in Saskatchewan known as Riverside and Boldenhurst. They were amalgamated and each wanted its own name preserved. The difference was split and today the community is known as Riverhurst. Alask is near the Alberta-Saskatchewan boundary. Curiously enough, it is the subdivision of Manitoba, which is a combination of the names of two

Ashorn, Man. is a monument to a Mackenzie and Mann timekeeper named A. S. Hern. Two settlers, A. Dunlop and W. Res gave their names to Dunrea, Man. Two real estate agents, Langdon and Ruth, got together in Langruth, Man. Hemanuka is a compound of the names, Helen, Margaret and Ruth, of a former vice president of the railway.



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